

In re Application of: Yamamoto, et al.  
 Serial No.: 09/600,931  
 Confirmation No.: Unassigned  
 Filed: July 21, 2000  
 For: DAMASCENE INTERCONNECTION AND SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
 Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

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|          | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR |
| TOTAL    | * 12                             | MINUS ** 20 = 0                    |
| INDEP.   | * 2                              | MINUS *** 3 = 0                    |

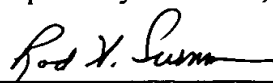
| SMALL ENTITY |           |
|--------------|-----------|
| RATE         | ADDL. FEE |
| x 9=         | \$        |
| x 40=        | \$        |
| x 135=       | \$        |
| TOTAL        | \$ 0.00   |

| OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| RATE                      | ADDL. FEE |
| x 18=                     | \$        |
| x 80=                     | \$        |
| x 270=                    | \$        |
| TOTAL                     | \$ 0.00   |

- ☐ FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS
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- ☒ Any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
- ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

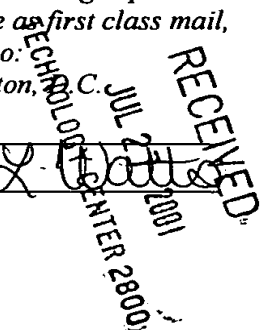
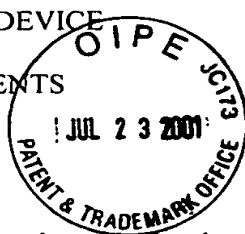
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| Applicant(s)      | Yamamoto, et al.                                            | Examiner:       | Eugene Lee    |
| Serial No.:       | 09/600,931                                                  | Group Art Unit: | 2815          |
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**REPLY TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.121**

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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed April 9, 2001, a reply to which is due August 9, 2001 with the Request for a One-Month Extension of Time submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.121 as follows:

**IN THE DRAWINGS:**

Please approve the corrections to Figures 1-5, as shown in the marked-up copy of the same submitted herewith. A Request for Approval of Drawing Changes, on a separate sheet, and an additional copy of Figures 1-5, marked in red showing the changes to Figures 1-5 are submitted herewith.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

At page 1, replace the paragraph beginning at line 11 with the following: